

ARTICULAR DISC PROSTHESIS FOR LATERAL INSERTION**Abstract of the Disclosure**

[0221] A prosthetic device for lateral insertion into an intervertebral space is provided. The prosthetic device includes a first component having a first laterally-extending flange for engaging a first vertebra from a lateral approach to the first vertebra, the first component having a first articular surface. The prosthetic device further includes a second component having a second laterally-extending flange for engaging a second vertebra from a lateral approach to the second vertebra, the second component having a second articular surface for cooperating with the first articular surface to permit articulating motion between the first and second components.